Outstanding debts of Andhra Pradesh due to World Bank

1633. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of outstanding debts due to World Bank and other International Financial Institutions by Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the details of interest or service charges to be paid by Andhra Pradesh to World Bank and other institutions every year;

(c) the details of the mode of re-payment of these foreign loans and their interest or service charges by Andhra Pradesh;

(d) the details of impact of these loans on release of Central Budget to Andhra Pradesh during 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04; and

(e) whether the Central Government follows any guidelines before giving guarantee to International Financial Institutions before such loans are released to States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) to (d) All assistance from International Financial Institutions including World Bank is passed on by the Government of India to the States as part of the budgetary allocation following the Gadgil Formula. There is no mechanism for the States to service the debts directly to the external funding agencies. The Central Government does not give any guarantee to International Financial Institutions for negotiating loans for the State Government.

(e) No, Sir.

Temporary employees in nationalised banks

1634. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of employees working in the nationalized banks on temporary basis even after more than 14 to 20 years;

(b) whether it is a fact that these employees were recruited as part time temporary worker by regular selection process like calling candidates through employment exchange and proper interviews by the selection boards of the nationalised banks;